

FEMA Awards Over \$1.2 Million to University of New Hampshire for COVID Testing

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BOSTON – The Federal Emergency Management Agency will be sending more than \$1.2 million to the State of New Hampshire to reimburse the University of New Hampshire for some of the costs of providing testing for students, faculty and staff during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The \$1,206,942 FEMA Public Assistance grant to the public university will reimburse it for purchasing supplies to administer and process COVID-19 tests during March 2022, as well as contracting for temporary staffing by medical laboratory technicians and clinical lab assistants processing specimens and administering tests at the lab in Durham.

The purchased materials included pipette tips, reagent reservoir, 80% ethanol, Taqpath solution, 96 well plate, optical adhesive covers, viral pathogen solution, 3ml tube saline, and pipette tips o-rings.

“FEMA is pleased to be able to assist the University of New Hampshire with these costs,” said FEMA Region 1 Regional Administrator Lori Ehrlich. “Providing resources for our institutions of higher education to combat the COVID-19 pandemic is critical to their success, and to our success as a nation.”

FEMA’s Public Assistance program is an essential source of funding for states and communities recovering from a federally declared disaster or emergency.

So far, FEMA has provided more than \$214 million in Public Assistance grants to New Hampshire to reimburse the state for pandemic-related expenses.

